UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

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v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-10049 Honorable Brandy R. McMillion

FJ CARRIER LOGISTICS LLC, MARCO POLO PASTRANA-JIMENEZ, and DIESEL GLOBAL LOGISTICS INC.,

Defendants.	
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ATTORNEY (ECF NO. 57)

Before the Court is Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP's Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Defendants FJ Carrier Logistics LLC and Marco Polo Pastrana-Jimenez. ECF No. 57. The Court held a hearing on the Motion on May 28, 2025. Based on the record before the Court, the hearing in this matter, and the Court being otherwise fully advised in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman & Dicker, LLP's Motion to Withdraw (ECF No. 57) is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants FJ Carrier Logistics LLC and Marco Polo Pastrana-Jimenez shall retain new counsel within the next 45 days; and

that new counsel shall file an appearance on or before July 14, 2025. Defendant

Pastrana-Jimenez may elect to obtain new counsel or choose to proceed pro se if he

so desires. However, Defendant FJ Carrier Logistics LLC must obtain new counsel

because a business entity, including an LLC, must be represented by counsel to

proceed in litigation. See United States Sec. and Exch. Comm'n v. Merklinger, 2009

WL 3498721, at *3 n.4 (E.D. Mich. 2009). If Defendant FJ Carrier Logistics

LLC fails to obtain new counsel as ordered, a default will be entered.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman &

Dicker, LLP will serve a copy of this Order upon Defendants FJ Carrier Logistics

LLC and Marco Polo Pastrana-Jimenez by first class mail and via email.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 28, 2025

s/Brandy R. McMillion

Hon. Brandy R. McMillion

United States District Judge

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